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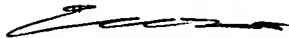
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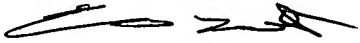
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 1, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as noted below. The amendments reflect the allowable subject matter noted in the previous Office Action. As they place the application in condition for allowance and do not add new matter or require further consideration, their entry is requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.